

Appl. No. : 09/653,267
Amendment Dated : March 30, 2005
Reply to Office Action of : February 22, 2005

Docket No. 0113873.120 US2

Remarks

I. Summary of the Office Action

Claims 106-122 are pending in the above-identified application. Claims 106-122 stand provisionally rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 110-123 and 136-150 of copending U.S. Application No. 10/169,897 (U.S. 2004/0253275). With this response, a terminal disclaimer is submitted as attached to this communication, and claims 114 and 121 have been amended to correct minor typographical errors. No new matter is added by amendment. Reconsideration of the claims, in light of the remarks that follow, is requested.

II. Rejection of the Claims

Claims 106-122 stand provisionally rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 110-123 and 136-150 of copending U.S. Application No. 10/169,897 (U.S. 2004/0253275). In response, the applicants are filing a terminal disclaimer to obviate the provisional double-patenting rejection over U.S. Application No. 10/169,897, which is attached to this communication. Applicants respectfully request that the rejection be withdrawn.

III. Miscellaneous

It is submitted that the claims as amended, in view of the remarks provided herein, and accompanied by the terminal disclaimer, are in condition for allowance. A favorable Notice to

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this effect is respectfully requested.

A fee of \$130.00 is believed to be due in connection with the filing of this Disclaimer.
The Commissioner is authorized to debit any necessary fee or credit any overpayment relating to the above-identified application to Deposit Account No. 08-0219.

Respectfully submitted,

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